



ORDER R9-09-21-14

**EMERGENCY CLOSURE ORDER OF THE FOREST SUPERVISOR
RESTRICTING OCCUPANCY AND USE, TO WIT:
SUPERIOR NATIONAL FOREST**

Pursuant to the provisions of 16 U.S.C. § 551, and 36 C.F.R. §§ 261.50 (a) and (b), the following acts are prohibited in the Superior National Forest, Minnesota, due to hazards associated with the Fires near the Gunflint Trail

The following are prohibited:

Going into or being upon the Area. 36 CFR 261.53(e).

These emergency restrictions are necessary for the public's health and safety due to the vicinity of the John Ek Fire and includes all NFS lands, waters, trails, portages, canoe routes, boat landing, campgrounds, and recreation sites as shown in exhibit A.

These restrictions will remain in effect until terminated by the forest supervisor

Pursuant to the provisions of 36 CFR 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this order:

- 1) Private land owners accessing property within the closure area.
- 2) Cook County Maintained Roads
- 3) Persons with permit specifically authorizing the otherwise prohibited act or omission (36 CFR 261.50(e)(1)); and,
- 4) Any Federal, State, or local officer, or member of any organized rescue or fire fighting force in the performance of an official duty (36 CFR 261.50(e)(4).
- 5) Federal or State administrative personnel in the performance of an official duty.
- 6) Persons engaged in a business, trade or occupation in the area, when authorized and/or when accompanied by a Forest Officer or official member of the Incident Command Team. (36 CFR 261.50(e)(S))

Violation of these prohibitions is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5000.00 for an individual or \$10,000.00 for an organization, or imprisonment for not more than six (6) months, or both (16 U.S.C., 18 U.S.C. 3559 and 3571).

Dated this 24 day of August 2021, at Duluth MN.

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Superior National Forest John Ek Fire Emergency Public Safety Closures Order Number R9-09-21-14, 8/24/2021

Legend

- Open Roads
- Closure Area
- BWCAW
- National Forest Boundary

Ontario
Canada

Saganaga Lake

Saga Gulf Lake

Gundlitch Lake

Poplar Lake



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